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SUBJECT: VISIT BY DRUG ABUSE EXPERT

1. DR. ROBERT L. DUPONT, DIRECTOR, WHITE HOUSE SPECIAL ACTION OFFICE FOR DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION, AND PRESIDENT'S NOMINEE TO BE ADMINISTRATOR OF NEW ALCOHOL, DRUG ABUSE, MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION, PLANS TO VISIT OTTAWA AND TORONTO AUGUST 27, 28, AND 29.
2. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY AND AMCONSUL COORDINATING THIS VISIT AND ARRANGING APPOINTMENTS. WOULD HOPE BE ABLE CALL ON AMBASSADOR AND CONSUL GENERAL. CURRENT PLANS ARE FOR DR. DUPONT, ACCOMPANIED BY RICHARD BUCHER, ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR, AND CANDACE COWAN, CHIEF, INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS OFFICE, TO ARRIVE TORONTO MORNING OF AUGUST 27 PREPARED TO WORK ALL DAY. WILL DEPART TORONTO FOR OTTAWA EARLY MORNING OF AUGUST 27D8, REMAINING IN OTTAWA UNTIL 1300 AUGUST 29. BUCHER AND COWAN WILL BE AVAILABLE EITHER TORONTO OR OTTAWA FOR MORE EXTENDED TALKS IF NECESSARY.
3. DR. DUPONT WISHES TO MEET WITH DR. A. V. MORISSON OF

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THEMINISTRY OF HEALTH; MR. RON DRAPER, DIRECTOR GENERAL,

NON-MEDICAL USE OF DRUGS DIRECTORATE, AND OTHER APPROPRIATE GOC DRUG ABUSE TREATMENT, PREVENTION, EDUCATION, AND OTHER HEALTH OFFICIALS. PURPOSE OF DISCUSSIONS WILL BE MULTIFOLD, INCLUDING DISCUSSIONS CONCERNING INCREASED EXCHANGE OF DRUG ABUSE RESEARCH INFORMATION AND TREATMENT EXPERIENCES, IDENTIFICATION OF EXTENT OF DRUG ABUSE PROBLEM ALONG MUTUAL BORDERS, EXPERIENCES OF TREATMENT PROGRAMS TREATING ALIEN VISITORS, AND OTHER DRUG ABUSE HEALTH RELATED ITEMS.

4. DR. DUPONT ALSO WOULD LIKE TO VISIT A FEW CANADIAN TREATMENT PROGRAMS, INCLUDING METHADONE MAINTENANCE AND DRUG FREE PROGRAMS. IF POSSIBLE, DR. DUPONT WOULD ALSO LIKE TO MEET WITH JERRY LEDAIN, OR AN APPROPRIATE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LEDAIN COMMISSION TO DISCUSS ITS FINDINGS. HE WISHES TO VISIT THE ADDICTION RESEARCH FOUNDATION IN TORONTO TO SPEAK WITH SENIOR OFFICIALS. KISSINGER

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